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TITLE: STAND FOR DISPLAYING ARTICLES, SUCH AS FLAT-PACKED ARTICLES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Preliminary Amendment: AMENDMENTS TO THE APPLICATION

Please see the attached Marked Up Copy and Substitute Copy for the preliminary amendments to the abstract page and claims. The Marked Up Copy and Substitute Copy pages are submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 152, 1.121(b)(3) and 1.125. The changes are made in the claims and the Abstract as indicated.

It is important to note that the amendments to the Claims apply to the set of amended claims (1-13) that were submitted for the PCT Chapter II consideration. The translation of original Claims 1-13 is provided in the English translation, followed by the amended claims (1-13) in the International Preliminary Examination Report . The English version of amended Claims 1-13 are amended herein as the currently pending claims.